"Gone to fill a vacancy, mamma. In ther words, she has married a widower." Mrs. Talbot laughed. "Well, let her go, my dear; you can have Mrs. Blake."

Oh, but Rhoda is better. Only think of her leaving me and becoming some-body's second wife! For my part I wouldn't thank any man for his affections "My little Persis, don't fret. No man rill ever offer you his affections, either h or warmed over, you may depend on

"Then he needn't, and I shan't have to cluse him," reterted Persis, gayly, as she ipped, swallow-like, this way and that, lying away the silk.

But there was a painful flush on her But there was a painful flush on her young cheeks, and a moment after she swept gracefully out of the room. Unless you looked twice you would never have divined the cause of her peculiar side-ways motion. The gold-mounted crutch which peeped in and out of the folds of her dress was like a wand of enchantment, and, as was said of Mile. Salle, "all her steps were sentiments"

affection for him; how could he resist the attraction?

"Persis," said he, in low, thrilling tones, "Stanley," said she, as they met in the parlor, "I am going home to day."

"Going home!" repeated he, in aston ishment, looking at her with his placid blue eyes which certainly were not dimmed by want of sleep.

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It so happened that Rhofs, in flying away with her widower, had dropped her mantle on Mrs. Blake who used her needle and scissors like a fairy straight from the land of elves. How marvelous a dress she fashioned out of "such stuff as dreams are made of." and how Persis floated off in it like a vision of beauty!

As fair and sweet, said Celia Warner, as a "wounded doom." Persis caught the words, and the little morbid spot in her heart ached gresh.

This was all the poor little girl could say, clinging fast to the one dear friend whose love had never failed her. The brave spirit which had been ready for physical suffering had not yet braced itself against this new and worse trial. To live, and live without Stanley! The thought seemed to blacken the whole future with the abomination of desceletion. Damocles. To-night he seemed for the first time to forget it. She loooked so unusually beautiful; she had such sincere affection for him; how could he resist the

When Persis was a baby her perfect beauty had well-nigh wrought her ruin. The nurse, proud of her superh little figure and graceful poses, was accustomed, with criminal recklessness, to perch her on a broad matule and show her off to visitors. In this vay the little creature and sall which made one limb shorter that the other, and lamed her for life. Peak had suffered very little physical pala, but the mortification had been in tease, it had given a morbid coloring to an other vise rose-colored life.

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old child-friendship, I have sometimes feared—"

"No, mamms, I have given it up; and that is not all, nor half. I give up also the proud man who is willing to let me suffer."

The frank, guileless eyes which looked up in honest surprise at the unspoken suggestion of attachment for another, how could Mr. Warner mistake their meaning?

In little friend had long been to him an open book, and very easy reading. Not that Persis was by any means forward or unmaidenly; but she had not yet learned the woman's lesson of concealing her emotions. Perhaps if there had been a trifle more of the blindness of love athwart the young man's vision he could not have seen to read so clearly. He sincerely admired Persis; be thought he loved her, or that he should love her if he only dared. But then that terrible crutch! It swung over his head like the sword of Damocles. To-night he seemed for the first time to forget it. She looked a continuation of the seemed for the first time to forget it. She looked a continuation of the same that the should love her if he first time to forget it. She looked a continuation of the same that the should love her if he first time to forget it. She looked a continuation of the same that the should love her if he first time to forget it. She looked a continuation of the same that the should love her if he love had never failed her. The brave spirit which had been ready for physical suffering had not yet braced itself against this new and wares trial. The literature is the cold orthodox manner, and still relieve themselves of some of their sighting the themselves of some of their sighting the themselves of some of the state of affairs without feelings of sincere play affair without feelings of sincere play and commiseration for both parties.

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"He is a cold, ambitious increase the number of yearly marriages at least twenty-five per cent. and give an unprecedented impetus to the music trade. Here, I am aware, many splenetic readers of this article will question the disinterestedness of my "efforts," and even have the hardihood to hint that I am in the employ of a clique of music publishers, and (I blush to write it) am liberally paid for my "aymosthe".

Of School-Rooms.

as more a benefactor than a beneficiary, and stigmatizes as drones and cormorants all who do not directly contribute to the production and increase of material wealth. The upright, able lawyer, the studious, skillful physician, the plous, loving clergyman, are workingmen, as truly and quite as nobly as though they were wood-choppers or bricklayers. He who, by whatever means, helps to diminish the fearful aggregate of ignorance, sin and suffering in the world, and diffuse instead k towledge, virtue and happiness, is worthy of all honor, and far from me be the wish to discourage and degrade him. We chanced to see the other day a very charming little addendum to a country school-room, which is worthy of note. The room was new, the wa'ls pleasantly toned, the low, skirting wainscot of native woods, left of its natural color and simply oiled; but, best of all, before both of the south windows which flanked the position of the mistress were two wide trays, of rustic finish, in which were grouped a geranium or two, a few starting jonquils and hyacistha, a variety of wood-mosses, and ivys which clambered up on either side the windows and skirted them with a fairy-like hanging of green.

Could a prettier lesson or a worthier one—which should teach at once regard for and love of flowers—be taught by any pictures in the school botanies?

The furnace-heat of the day left a gentle temperature for the night, and all that was needed to guard sgainst frost was a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the windows as a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the day left a gentle temperature for the night, and all that was needed to guard sgainst frost was a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the day left a gentle temperature for the night, and all that was needed to guard sgainst frost was a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the day left a gentle temperature for the night, and all that was needed to guard sgainst frost was a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the day left a gentle temperature for the night, and all that was needed to guard sgainst frost was a screening bit of muslir upon a Saturday night, or a little replenishment of the furnace-heat of the day of the wish to discourage and degrade him. And yet I hold it the duty of every father to look well to the physical and industrial training of his sons and daughters—to WE chanced to see the other day a very

the thing is every way feasible. And what unction might not an 'droit teacher give to the first lessons in botany, with scores of eyes beaming upon the little leaflets which turn so eagerly to the sunshine, or upon the bulb lifting its green spears day after day, and unfolding, by degrees, some wonderful pile of blossoms?

What now if we were to add to this, in country school-rooms, some assemblage, under glazed case, of all the insects which haunt the neighborhood—the beetles, the butterflies, the moths—all in their different stage of transformation, and all these to contribute decorative features, while familiarizing the little ones with their appearance? familiarizing the little ones with their appearance?

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Then the minerals of the neighborhood might have their sanguine hopes—doctor, lawyer, minister, are often winning but a meagre, precarious support for the present. "I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed," is the plaint which many would utter if they could afford to be frank and outspoken. Thousands suffer and stagger on oppression of water increasing debt, who would gladly take refuge in productive industry, if they had been trained to familiarity with pitchforks and plow-handles. They would outgrow their present embarrassments if it were not for the

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Lemon Sponge Care.—Take ten eggs, separate them, a pound of granulated sugar, half pound of flour, the grated peel of two lemons, and the juice of one; beat the yolks with the sugar, and the whites alone; then add them, and sift in the flour by degrees; beat well, and bake with a quick heat.

Dedonizer.—The inquiry is often made by farmers, brewers, beef and pork packers, etc., regarding the best method of deodorizing and cleansing old cider and beer barrels, musty cans, bottles, etc. Chemistry furnishes an agent in the permanganate of potassa which fully meets this want. A pint of the permanganate turned into the most musty, filthy cider or beer cask and rinsed about a few moments will entirely decompose all fungoid growths and iermenting matter and render the casks as sweet as those that are new. The deodorizing, disinfecting power of the permanganate, holding, as it does, five equivalents of oxygen, is wonderful; it will seem deodorize arrholic acid. The

The following extract is from an article read last year, by Wm. Parry, of Cinnaminson, N. J., before the Fruit-Growers' Club of New York city:

Having experimented on several kinds of land, from a firm clay to a light blowing sand, I prefer as the most favorable location for blackberries a light, moist sandy loam, well underdrained, if water would otherw se stand nesr the surface. Formerly we thought that low, rich land would be best judging from the large growth of briars along the ditches and swampy places. Accordingly one of many process and produced heavy crops while March Winds do Blow. With several and Service of the control of the contro

while blackberries planted on thin lighter land, not worth near so much for agricultural purposes, producing small canes with buds well developed and the wood matured before the approach of winter, would yield heavy crops of fine fruit. In walking through my patch when loaded with befries, he remarked that he could not understand why those small bushes had so much more fruit on them than his large ones. I attributed it to the fact that the canes and fruitbuds were better ripened the fall previous, and had stood the cold of winter with less injury.

Another farmer near by having about forty acres devoted to the culture of blackberries, purchased a tract of light sandy land, at \$13 per acre, and planted it with them. But desiring to have a model patch, he purchased a few acres of the richest and the best land for ordinary agricultural purposes in the vicinity, at \$300

plying any fertilizing materials whatever; and further, we will suppose that he knows enough about apple-trees not to plant them in a swamp, or in ground so stony that it cannot be cultivated; neither will we expect him to turn over an old sod that has not been plowed for years, and reasons and the sum of the plant the tough roots of weeds and grass have become, at least, partially decomposed. But do, we expect that our farmer will plant the trees in the best soil on his farm, proty rided it is favorably situated and is naturably dry and good.

The first thing to be decided is the distance apart at which the trees are to be planted—whether twenty-dre, thirty, or of right content of the space to be occupied by a row of trees, then plow the land into beds of the same width as the rows are set apart, commisseing exactly in the middle of the market where the reason and the sum of the same width as the rows are set staged on the content of the same width as the rows are set, and not too expensive, more space may be allowed.

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